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PEPTIDES, THEIR PRODUCTION AND USE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office action dated June 03, 2002, applicants request that the following remarks be made of record in the above-captioned patent application.

REMARKS

The examiner has restricted the claims into the following three groups:

Group I, claims 1-3, drawn to an immunogenic composition and vaccine comprising a dissociated pili comprising at least one immunogenic peptide from Gal-Gal binding pilus producing bacteria;

Group II, claims 4-6, drawn to a method of producing pili; and

Group III, claim 7, drawn to a method of treating or preventing a urinary tract infection.

With respect to the restriction between Groups I (claims 1-3) and II (claims 4-6), applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims of these two groups do not require restriction because examination of these claims would not require additional searches or otherwise place a serious burden on the examiner.